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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, E/ST

FROM : Executive Secretary, EDIC

SUBJECT : Request for Statement on Collection Requirements for

Enforcement

- 1. At the MDIC meeting of 17 March there was a review of EDIC/AN-6 on "Dissolution of IWG and EDIC Subgroups". This paper contained a reference to the IWG (now EDIC) Subgroup on Mast-West Trade Collection Requirements. I explained that although the terms of reference for this subgroup had been approved, the subgroup had produced no substantive recommendations. I suggested that the subgroup should be dissolved.
- 2. During the discussion which arouse, the Acting Chairman observed that if the primary question in this field concerns enforcement intelligence, then EDIC attention should be focused thereon. He stated that we (EDIC) should request an interim report from CIA which would 25X1A9a indicate in general terms whether covert collection requirements are being formulated and developed on a satisfactory basis. Such a statement of assurances would be prepared for review and use of the DCN, with a copy for information of EDIC.
- 3. May I assume that you will undertake the preparation of such a statement at your early convenience?

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